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Subject: MEDIA INQUIRY: OnEarth.org (NRDC pub) about Anglo American and Bristol Bay

Who took the call/e-mail: Hanady Kader

Date and Time: 9/16 10am

Deadline: 1pm PST

Media Outlet: OnEarth.org, NRDC website

Reporter (include phone number and/or e-mail):

Topic: Anglo-American withdrawal from project, Gina's visit.

Action/Outcome: Her questions and proposed responses below.

- What does Anglo American's withdrawal mean for the project? EPA cannot comment on Anglo-American's withdrawal. It has no impact on completing the Bristol Bay Assessment.
- The company may have pulled out because of uncertainty about whether the EPA is going to approve the project. How do you respond to that? The EPA Bristol Bay Assessment is a scientific assessment. It is not part of a regulatory or permitting process. Pebble Limited Partnership may apply for project permits. This assessment does not impact their ability to do so.
- Can you tell me how EPA administrator Gina McCarthy's trip to Bristol Bay went? She went to Bristol Bay to hear directly from communities, tribes and mining officials, and to see the proposed project area firsthand. She had valuable conversations with stakeholders that helped put this issue in context.
- What are the next steps for the project and its review on your end? EPA intends to issue a final Bristol Bay Assessment in 2013. Should there be a mine proposal and permit applications in the future, EPA and other agencies can use this assessment as a resource to evaluate the potential environmental impacts of a mine. As there are no permit applications for a mine, EPA has no role beyond completing the assessment at this time.

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